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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

The following Preliminary Amendment and Remarks are submitted for entry into the present application along with the Request for Continued Prosecution under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 accompanying this paper. This paper and the accompanying RCE are responsive to the Advisory Action dated January 22, 2004, having a shortened statutory period expiring January 22, 2004. Accompanying this response is a one-month Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for Extension of Time setting a new time for response of February 22, 2004. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

No amendments to the Drawings or the Specification are presented in this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.